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**Status**

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 21 August 2006.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**.                      2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

**Disposition of Claims**

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1,5-8,11-13 and 17-20 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1,5-8,11-13 and 17-20 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) \_\_\_\_\_ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

**Application Papers**

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on \_\_\_\_\_ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.  
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).  
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

**Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119**

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All    b) ☐ Some \* c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. \_\_\_\_\_.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

\* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

**Attachment(s)**

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)          | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)           |
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### DETAILED ACTION

1. This action is responsive to communication filed on 8/21//2006.
2. Claims 2-4,9-10,14-16 are cancelled. Claims 1,5-8,11-13,17-20 are subject to examination.

### ***Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102***

The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(e) the invention was described in a patent granted on an application for patent by another filed in the United States before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent, or on an international application by another who has fulfilled the requirements of paragraphs (1), (2), and (4) of section 371(c) of this title before the invention thereof by the applicant for patent.

The changes made to 35 U.S.C. 102(e) by the American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA) and the Intellectual Property and High Technology Technical Amendments Act of 2002 do not apply when the reference is a U.S. patent resulting directly or indirectly from an international application filed before November 29, 2000. Therefore, the prior art date of the reference is determined under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) prior to the amendment by the AIPA (pre-AIPA 35 U.S.C. 102(e)).

3. Claims 1,5-8,11-13,17-20 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Gomes et al. U.S. Patent # 6,615,209 (hereinafter Gomes).

As per claim 1, Gomes teaches a server for providing information to a client via a network comprising:

-a receiving module receiving, from said client, a providing request for the information, the providing request containing a piece of access site information

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containing information on the location of an access site through which, said client accesses said network (column 15 lines 45-61),

The reference teaches receiving from a client a query for the "muppet faq" (receiving from a client a request for information), the request containing "muppet faq" (piece of access site information) through which accesses the network.

wherein said client has a plurality of access sites and accesses said network through a selected access site among said plurality of access sites (column 7 lines 3-13, lines 28-36);

-a URL management module extracting the piece of access site information from the providing request, retrieving URLs corresponding to the piece of access site information from a database, retrieving titles corresponding to the retrieved URLs from the database, and generating a document containing the retrieved URLs and the retrieved titles (column 16 lines 49-67)(column 17 lines 1-6);

wherein the database stores different URLs according to each piece of access site information (column 7 lines 3-13); and

-a transmitting module transmitting the generated document to said client, wherein said URL information is registered into the database in advance of the providing request by a user of said client (column 16 lines 5-25,49-67)(column 17 lines 1-6).

-whereby said client obtains a different document according to said selected access site (column 10 lines 44-65).

As per claim 5, Gomes teaches a server according to claim 1, wherein the information is a piece of information for indicating a location where the web page is stored (Fig. 15 element "www...." Urls).

In Fig. 15, underneath each document titles, it shows document description and underneath it shows the URL links, which is location where the webpage is stored.

As per claim 6, Gomes teaches a server according to claim 1, wherein the access site information is a source address of the providing request (column 17 lines 1-6)(Fig. 15 element "www...." Urls).

As per claim 7, Gomes teaches a server according to claim 1, wherein said database is stored with the files of the plurality of web pages each containing the same information expressed in different language (column 6 lines 57-67).

As per claim 8, Gomes teaches a method for a server to provide information to a client via a network comprising:

- registering in advance, in a database of the server, by a user of the client, the information that includes a URL information (column 5 lines 45-55, lines 61-67)(column 6 lines 1-9)(column 7 lines 2-13);

The reference storing in the search facility server the information by the client including the URL links for the documents.

- receiving a request, from said client, for providing the in advance registered information, the providing request containing a piece of access site information containing information on the location of an access site through which said client accesses said network (column 15 lines 45-61);

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The reference teaches receiving from a client a query for the "muppet faq" (receiving from a client a request for information), the request containing "muppet faq" (piece of access site information) through which accesses the network.

-wherein said client has a plurality of access sites and accesses said network through a selected access site among said plurality of access sites (column 7 lines 3-13, lines 28-36);

-extracting the piece of access site information from the providing request, retrieving the URLs corresponding to the piece of access site information from the database, retrieving titles from the database corresponding to the retrieved URLs, and generating a document containing the retrieved URLs and generating a document containing the retrieved URLs and the retrieved titles (column 16 lines 49-67)(column 17 lines 1-6)(Fig. 15) wherein the database stores different URLs according to each piece of access site information (column 7 lines 3-13); and

-transmitting the generated document to said client (column 16 lines 49-67)(column 17 lines 1-6) (Fig. 15), whereby said client obtains a different document according to said selected access site (column 10 lines 44-65).

As per claim 11, Gomes teaches a method according to claim 8, wherein said extracting involves retrieving URLs corresponding to the piece of access site information from the database, the database storing files of a plurality of web pages with their display contents different from each other (column 16 lines 5-25).

As per claim 12, Araki teaches a system comprising:

-a client (column 15 lines 45-47); and

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-a server for providing information to said client via a network (column 5 lines 43-50),

-a server for providing information to said client via a network, wherein a user of the client registers in advance URL information in the service (column 5 lines 45-55, lines 61-67)(column 6 lines 1-9)(column 7 lines 2-13);

wherein said client transmits a request for providing the in advance registered information to said server, the information providing request containing a piece of access site information containing information on the location of an access site through which said client accesses said network (column 5 lines 45-55, lines 61-67)(column 6 lines 1-9)(column 7 lines 2-13) (column 15 lines 45-61), wherein said client has a plurality of access sites and accesses said network through a selected access site among said plurality of access sites (column 7 lines 3-13, lines 28-36), and

-said server receives the providing request, and retrieves URLs corresponding to the access site information from the database, then retrieves titles from the database corresponding to the retrieved URLs, and generates a document containing the retrieved URLs and the retrieved titles (column 16 lines 5-25 lines 49-67)(column 17 lines 1-6)(Fig. 15), wherein the database stores different URLs according to each piece of access site information (column 7 lines 3-13), and transmits the generated document to said client (column 16 lines 5-25 lines 49-67)(column 17 lines 1-6) (Fig. 15), whereby said client obtains a different document according to said selected access site (column 16 lines 5-25,49-67)(column 17 lines 1-6).

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As per claim 13, it teaches same limitations as claim 1, therefore rejected under same basis.

As per claim 17, Gomes teaches a server for providing information to a client via a network according to claim 1, further comprising:

-a registration module for accepting and storing information entered by the client for a later access by said client (column 5 lines 65-67)(column 6 lines 1-26).

As per claim 18, it teaches same limitations as claim 17, therefore rejected under same basis.

As per claim 19, it teaches same limitations as claim 17, therefore rejected under same basis.

As per claim 20, Gomes teaches a computer readable medium according to claim 13, wherein the retrieved URLs and the retrieved titles are registered into the server by a user of the client prior to the information providing request (column 7 lines 2-26)(column 5 lines 65-67)(column 6 lines 1-26).

### ***Response to Arguments***

4. Applicant's arguments filed 8/21/2006 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive.

As per remarks, Applicant stated the following:

A). Applicant stated Gomes fails to disclose a piece of access site information containing information on the location of an access site through which the client accesses the network and wherein the client has a plurality of access sites.



B). Applicant stated Gomes does not disclose generating a document containing retrieved URLs and retrieved titles, wherein the database stores different URLs according to each piece of access site information.

C). Applicant states Gomes fails to disclose the client obtains a different document according to the selected access site.

As per remark A, Examiner respectfully disagrees with the applicant because in column 15 lines 45-61, column 7 lines 3-13, lines 28-36, Gomes teaches receiving from a client a query for the "muppet faq" (receiving from a client a request for information), the request containing "muppet faq" (piece of access site information) through which accesses the network. Gomes teaches the URL server serves a list of URL to the crawlers (client) and access the network and gets the web page (selected site among plurality of access sites). Therefore Gomes reads on the claimed limitations.

As per remark B, Examiner respectfully disagrees with the applicant because in column 16 lines 49-67, column 17 lines 1-6, column 7 lines 3-13, Gomes teaches the URL server serves a list of URL to the crawler (generating a document containing retrieved URLs) and the server stores the list in the server and the repository according to the page rankings, PageRank value pairs (different URLs according to each piece of access site information). Therefore Gomes reads on the claimed limitations.

As per remark C, Examiner respectfully disagrees with the applicant because in column 10 lines 44-65, Gomes teaches the user obtains documents according to the query result and its URL. Therefore Gomes reads on the claimed limitations.

### ***Conclusion***

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5. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

A). "System and Method for controlled access to shared-medium public and semi-public internet protocol (IP) networks" by Massarani et al. U.S. Patent 6,393,484.

6. A shortened statutory period for response to this action is set to expire **3 (three) months and 0 (zero) days** from the mail date of this letter. Failure to respond within the period for response will result in **ABANDONMENT** of the applicant (see 35 U.S.C 133, M.P.E.P 710.02, 710.02(b)).

7.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Dhairya A. Patel whose telephone number is 571-272-5809. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:00-5:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Zarni Maung can be reached on 571-272-3939. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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